



"The City With a Heart"

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MINUTES

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

March 12, 2014

6:15 p.m.

Meeting location: 567 El Camino Real, Conference Room 101, San Bruno

Welcome members of the public. If you would like to speak on an item that is listed on the agenda, you may do so upon receiving recognition from the Committee Chair. If you would like to speak on an item that is not on the agenda, you may do so during item 3, Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda. As required by State Law, the Committee cannot take action on issues raised under item 3. Any such issues will be referred to staff or scheduled for a future meeting. Thank you for your interest.

1. **CALL to ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Present:

David Nigel (Vice Chair)
Walter Bird
Henry Mar
Jeffrey Tong
Cecile Riborozo
Laura Russell (City Staff)
Joseph Cervantes (City Staff)

City Council Liaison: Michael Salazar offered his support and thanked the Committee for all of the great work they do.

Absent:

Randy Brase (Chair)

2. **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 8, 2014 MINUTES**

Walter Bird stated the date is incorrect on the meeting minutes for the approval of the previous meeting's minutes. It should be dated November 13, 2013. Correction noted. Motion WB, 2nd HM to approve minutes. Motion Passes 5-0.

DN shared that he just returned from his 44th Park and Recreation Conference in Ontario, California, representing the City of San Bruno. He then attended the California School Master Club meeting in Napa, of which he has been secretary since 1976 also representing San Bruno, to present the honorary life award and was given a plaque for serving 50 years in the organization.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

4. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- a. Annual Report to the City Council: DN stated this report is presented each year to give the City Council an update on activities, goals and achievements of the BAPC.

LR stated she printed the previous year's report for the Committee members' feedback. One Committee member will present the report to the City Council.

The Committee discussed the details of the new draft and insertion of new images. The presentation will be given on March 25th.

LR stated the draft will be finalized and reviewed with the Committee. LR will see if Randy Brase wants to give the presentation.

JT stated he would give the presentation if Randy is not able to.

DN asked if LR can send an email to the Committee confirming who will be giving the presentation.

- b. Grade Separation Project Update: JC stated the project is almost complete and the grand opening will be May 16th. He asked for comments from the Committee on the project.

WB stated the alignment on San Bruno Avenue at Angus Avenue (near the 7-11 store) seems awkward.

JC stated the Angus Avenue intersection is already being reviewed for safety due to the number of pedestrians utilizing this intersection.

DN asked who is responsible for the final safety check for the project.

JC responded that the Joint Powers Board (JPB) will be working with the City on this.

WB asked if the road east of the tracks that used to go through to Melody Toyota will be re-opened.

JC responded that it will continue to be a dead-end street.

DN asked about the abandoned bank site on the corner near the Grade Separation project.

LR stated the City is in contact with the property owner but there is no development plans for the site as of yet.

- c. Proposed Meeting Schedule: LR stated the Committee had previously discussed adding two special meetings per year to the existing meeting schedule. The consensus at the last meeting was to add the special meetings in April and October. If this is the Committee's intention, then it means there will be three monthly meetings in a row.

d. Subcommittee Updates:

Outreach Subcommittee: LR reminded the Committee that Randy Brase started the Outreach Subcommittee to receive information from the public as well as sharing information with them. A new subcommittee was formed with Randy, Henry Mar and Walter Bird to work on this.

WB stated a questionnaire is being developed by the subcommittee to hand out at public events to encourage the public to make comments and suggestions. The final handout will be shared with the Committee.

Crestmoor Canyon Trails: HM stated there is no report. Yesterday there was a public meeting regarding “Rebuilding Crestmoor” but he was not able to attend.

LR printed the staff report from the “Rebuilding Crestmoor” meeting and a map of the area for the Committee. At the meeting a proposed trail through Crestmoor Canyon as part of the rebuilding project was discussed.

Michael Salazar stated the meeting was a study session to review possible projects in the Crestmoor neighborhood with the funding provided by PG&E. A few projects focused on the canyon, such as slope stability along the walls, wilderness maintenance, and also the development of a walking/fire access trail. The rest of the projects focused on infrastructure development such as water lines and water tanks, and rebuilding the fire station in the Crestmoor neighborhood. No decisions were made, but there was input from residents and it was a good opportunity to hear about the proposed projects. City staff will be coming back with project cost proposals and this will give a better idea of what can be selected with the funding available.

JT asked if there were any types of plants that were suggested as part of the rebuilding project, as he heard about Coyote Brush being excellent at stabilizing hillsides and is drought resistant.

WB asked if the City has a list of drought resistant plants that is given out to the public.

LR confirmed that there is.

HM asked if there was a subcommittee at the meeting that considered the other benefits to the development of the trail beyond cost, such as attracting additional residents to the area and creating economic support for Lunardi's and the other businesses near the trail site.

MS responded that there was not a subcommittee involved. The recommendations were made by City staff as projects that would have a benefit to the area, the residents, and meet the required criteria on the use of the funds. The projects need to be tied to reparation of the damaged area.

JT stated there has been discussion of a BART at Tanforan overhead crossing across El Camino Real, so if a bike route is created from the proposed Crestmoor Canyon trail it will most likely travel down Sneath to the El Camino intersection.

DN stated the intersection at the Crossings development at El Camino Real was previously proposed as a preferred overhead crossing location at El Camino Real.

JT stated the Sneath Lane intersection is a more prudent location for an overhead crossing at El Camino due to business turnover.

HM confirmed this is the proposed funding from the reparation funding, so it is completely separate from the additional \$70 million PG&E settlement and that the “Rebuilding Crestmoor” meeting was a brainstorming session for possible project ideas.

MS concurred this is correct.

LR recommended that HM meet with Rebuilding Crestmoor Project Manager Harry Burrowes to work on details of the project as they relate to the BAPC wish list.

HR stated he would prefer the proposed new trail in Crestmoor Canyon be dirt versus pavement.

Children’s Bicycle Safety: DN stated there is no report.

Bike Workshop: CR stated there was a workshop planned in April to coincide with Bike to Work Day but only one person signed up. We are not sure if it was the timing or the promotion of the event that caused the poor response.

DN stated word of mouth is the best way to promote an event.

LR stated she received feedback that it should be combined with another community event that would reach the target audience.

Community Bike Ride: LR stated there was discussion at the last meeting on whether the Committee is interested in maintaining this as a subcommittee item. If there is interest, then it can be decided on whether there should be an event in the spring or the fall.

DN stated the last event was not successful. Perhaps the Peninsula Congestion Relief Alliance would be able to take over the event and the Committee could add support. They have the resources to make this type of event happen.

WB stated he could contact the Alliance and see if they are open to this.

LR stated she and Joe Cervantes met with Gina at the Alliance, and she stated that their programs really emphasize commuter transportation versus pedestrian/bike issues.

DN stated Bruce Moore, former bicycle shop owner in San Bruno, has contacted WB and would like to get involved with the future Community Bike Ride events.

HM stated we should table this item for future review.

Street Conditions: WB stated the approach to El Camino Real when traveling east on Sneath Lane has lane splits for left turn, straight and right turn travel that are not well marked prior to reaching the intersection. The suggestion is to install additional striping and arrows farther up Sneath. There should be an evaluation of the mandatory right turn lane, as it needs re-striping. The alignment of the lanes seems off, and this makes

it hazardous for the bike lane cyclists.

JT stated all intersections should have clearly marked lanes for bicycle travel instead of stopping the bike lane before it reaches the intersection.

LR stated the new standard is to install green striping continuous through the intersection so it visually shows motorists that they will be crossing the path of the bicyclist. It is becoming more common and is typically green or blue striping.

WB stated advance signage along the sidewalk may assist with motorist awareness of this.

HM stated the right turn on Sneath traveling southbound on El Camino is very sharp and many vehicles end up going onto the sidewalk when making this turn. This is unsafe for pedestrians.

Public Service Announcements: WB stated there are a number of announcements currently being developed. An important issue that needs to be addressed is pedestrians crossing the street while talking on a cell phone. Pedestrians have safety responsibilities.

JT stated too many signs at a location can lose its effectiveness. There has to be a limit of signs for people to notice them or they will be overwhelmed.

- e. Future Agenda Items: DN asked if the Committee wants to move the meeting to an earlier time.

LR stated it can be added to the next agenda for discussion.

- f. Calendar Check: Next meeting will be March 25, 2014 at the City Council meeting annual presentation.

5. ADJOURNMENT